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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : NFAC Activity Report, 2-6 November 1981

DCI/DDCI-Assigned Tasks

° The requested package of information on Soviet nationalities and dissidents will be forwarded next week.

° OSWR is drafting the terms of reference for an interagency paper entitled "Role of the Soviet Intelligence Services in the Technology Transfer Problem."

° Drafting of the report on the Sadat assassination is underway; the report should be completed early next week.

Of Interest This Week

° OSWR briefed the Administrator and other senior NASA officials on Soviet major space initiatives in the mid-to-late 1980s.

° Dr. DeLauer, USDR&E, was briefed on 4 November on the Soviet high energy laser program.

° Representatives of the Technology Transfer Analysis Center (TTAC) attended a meeting of the Committee on International Information and Communications Policy, chaired by Under Secretary of State Buckley; future CIA participation is likely to be requested.

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° After interagency deliberations, the US decided to withdraw from the Vienna-based International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) because the Institute is being exploited by the Soviets for intelligence purposes.

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° The Office of European Analysis (OEA), in cooperation with the DDO, began work on a study requested by Assistant Secretary of State Eagleburger to analyze Soviet and indigenous Communist Party influence on the "Peace Movement" in Western Europe.

° Analysts from the Office of African and Latin American Analysis (ALA) briefed Dr. Norman Bailey, Director of Planning and Evaluation at the NSC, on the status of Nigeria's Bonny LNG project.

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° Under pressure of a tight OMB deadline, the Office of Global Issues (OGI) completed a study of the critical issues regarding strategic minerals. The paper will be disseminated next week.

° The upsurge of interest in the Fahd peace plan may be leading to an opportunity for movement on the Palestinian question; NESAC has prepared a concept paper and terms of reference for a SNIE on country/group core positions.

° We began drafting a paper on problems in the Sudan in preparation for Nimeiri's visit, 15-21 November.

Next Week

° Responses to the US military exercise Operation Bright Star, which begins 9 November in the Middle East and the Horn of Africa, will be monitored.

° The Summit of Frontline States' Presidents will probably meet to coordinate a response to the current US initiative on Namibia.

° Technology Transfer Analysis Center (TTAC) representatives will attend the 10 November meeting of the High Level COCOM working group chaired by Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce Denysyk, preparing US initiatives to strengthen COCOM controls.

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